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MEMORANDUM FOR: SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Environmental Management System (EMS) Policy # 123

1. As outlined by Executive Order 13148 (Greening the Government) and DA Policy an International Organization for Standardization (ISO) 14001-style Environmental Management System (EMS) shall be implemented at all Army facilities. An Environmental Management System includes development of an environmental policy, identification of significant environmental targets, development of an implementation plan and finally the actual implementation and initiation of corrective actions based on surveillance results. USAG Grafenwoehr will meet the Army goals of establishing an EMS not later December 2005 and achieving full conformance with the ISO 41001 standard not later FY09.
2. This policy statement applies to all civilian and military personnel, all host and tenant organizations, and contractors assigned to the Garrison. The USAG Grafenwoehr Environmental Management Office (EMO) is designated as the Garrison EMS action office with the responsibility and administrative authority to plan, administer and maintain the EMS with the active participation of all personnel assigned to the Garrison as well as tenants, residents and contractors. Any planned action that may impact the environment, must be brought to the attention of the DPW, EMO to assess that impact.
3. Significant targets of the Garrison Grafenwoehr EMS are
  - a. Move the Garrison into full compliance with all German Final Governing Standards (GFGS) as well as Host Nation and DoD legislation and regulations with regards to pollution prevention (P2), release of chemical and hazardous substances, and environmentally and economically beneficial landscaping.
  - b. Help senior leaders to plan rather than to react.
  - c. Reduce operating costs by streamlining processes, and including P2 opportunity assessments into day to day business.
  - d. Enhance our image with the public.
4. To accomplish these targets the USAG Grafenwoehr commits to:
  - a. Actively seek opportunities to continually improve the Garrison environmental management system. Establish measures of performance to assist in assessing system effectiveness. Ensure that a commitment to continual improvement is demonstrated through a proactive preventive and corrective action program.

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- b. Integrate environmental considerations into all aspects of the installation's activities and support initiatives to identify and maximize recycling, reduction, reuse and P2 opportunities, where they occur.
  - c. Strive for fully integrating the relevant environmental requirements into the mission procedures and work practices at the Garrison so that environmental awareness and compliance are routinely performed when executing operations and services at the Garrison.
  - d. Increase awareness of our ecological impacts and strive to reduce and prevent these negative effects. Maintain internal and external communication processes which consider and address the concerns of staff, customers, neighbors and the wider community.
  - e. Continually review the USAG Grafenwoehr activities and services to ensure their activities do no adversely affect the environment. Identify the significant environmental impacts from activities and ensure they are considered when establishing objectives and targets in our EMS Management Programs.
  - f. Be in full conformance with ISO 14001 NLT FY09.
  - g. Conduct periodic environmental assessments and inspections to ensure compliance with internal and external requirements.
  - h. Clean up contaminated sites as quickly as resources permit. Continue to maintain the positive relationship with other government agencies, Host Nation, and the local community.
5. An updated status of the development and implementation of an EMS will be given at the Environmental Quality Control Council (EQCC) meetings on a regular basis. Annual command reviews will be done to identify any mission changes, new environmental impacts/aspects and progress in meeting the environmental performance.
6. The environmental policy statement will be made available to all personnel and contractors at the Garrison. It will be posted in all host and tenant shops, work areas, and offices as appropriate. The policy is available to the public through the Public Affairs Office and Garrison homepage.
7. USAG Grafenwoehr point of contact for is Mr. Manfred Rieck, C/Environmental Division, DSN 475-7209.

  
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